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Ursinus partners with Columbia

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"CIE is a program that garners intrigue from academics even at the Ivy League level."

— Ronak Darji
CIE Fellow

Ursinus professors and students will explore the mission of liberal arts education with Columbia University faculty and scholars in a collaborative effort to strengthen both institutions' core curricula, President Bobby Fong announced in a campus-wide email last week.

In an Ursinus press release, Fong said the Ursinus-Columbia initiative "will enable Ursinus to continue to demonstrate that what higher education should impart is not only expertise in a particular field but individual growth in character and the ability to make sound judgments."

Fong said the collaboration, which is supported by a three-year \$300,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in N.Y., will be driven by an exchange of ideas and expertise between Ursinus and Columbia, "Two very different institutions that nonetheless share a deep commitment to liberal education."

According to the press release, Ursinus' Common Intellectual Experience (CIE) professors will advise post-doctoral Columbia students on teaching strategies. Columbia scholars whose research is related to the CIE syllabus will speak on campus this spring and, in turn, an Ursinus faculty member will teach a course in Columbia's Core Curriculum. Post-doctoral Columbia students will begin teaching at Ursinus next fall.

Fong said the project will also provide "exciting experiences" for Ursinus students who will be "at the forefront" of this endeavor. This spring, Ursinus' student CIE fellows, a group modeled after Columbia's Core Scholars Program, will join selected first-year students on trips to Columbia's campus, where they can

take advantage of the Ivy League university's academic resources. Established this year, the CIE Fellows Program has been working to better engage freshmen with the CIE texts and topics.

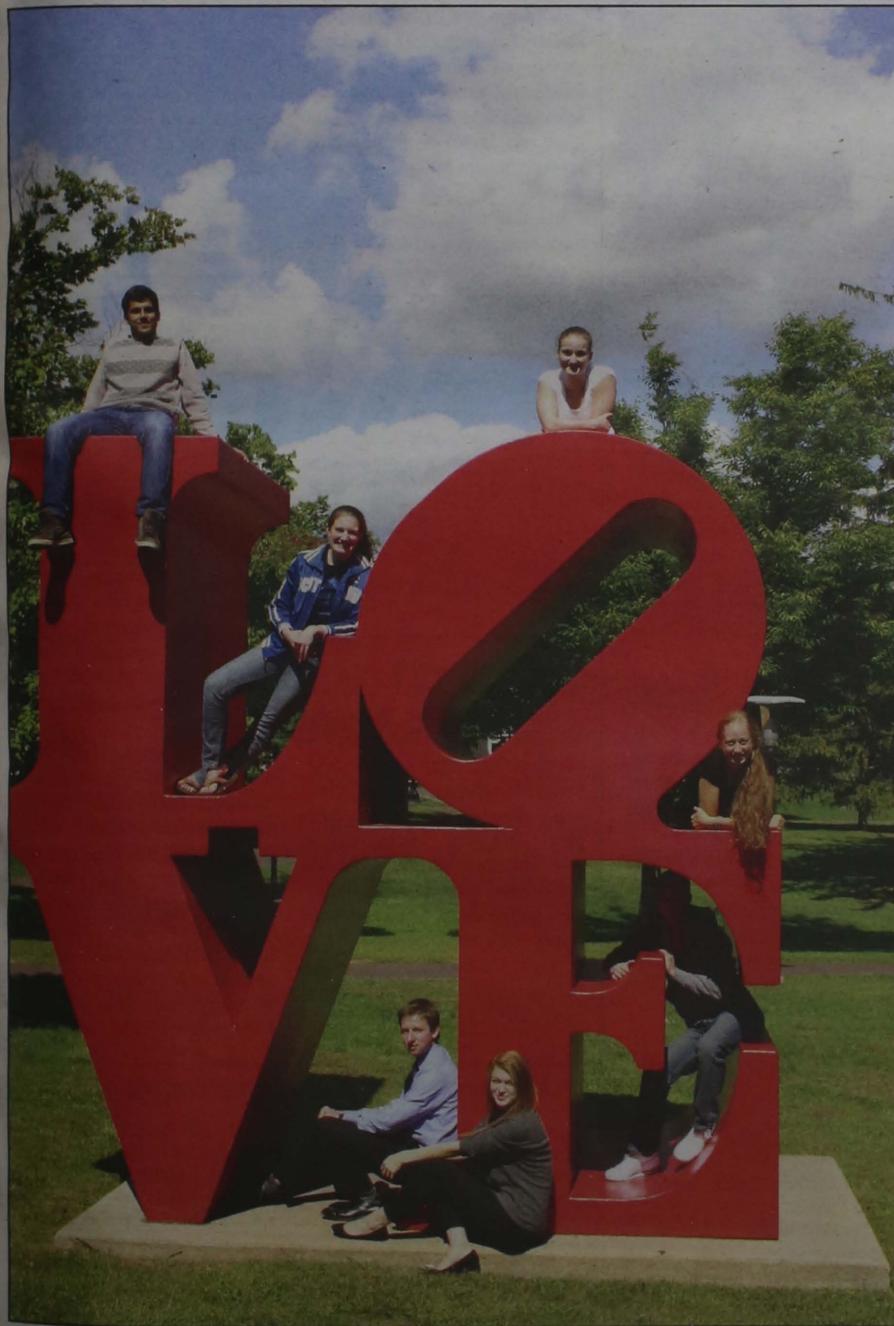
Dr. Paul Stern, professor of politics and faculty adviser of the CIE Fellows Program, said the grant will allow the student organization to thrive.

"Perhaps the most exciting aspect of the program is the establishment of the CIE Fellows Program, which is already underway. The fellows will provide an essential link between the CIE classroom and the wider intellectual community at Ursinus. In so doing, they'll enable CIE to achieve one of its most important goals," Stern said.

"I think the fellows' collaborations with Columbia will be great exposure for the CIE program," Ronak Darji, an Ursinus senior and CIE fellow said. "It further validates that CIE is a program that garners intrigue from academics even at the Ivy League level. Students at Ursinus might take our unique freshman seminar for granted, perhaps, but it is important to remember not every college offers such a well-constructed overview on the human condition."

The Common Intellectual Experience was established in 2002 as a required year-long course for freshmen students and has since garnered praise from higher education authorities like the Princeton Review, which cited CIE as a central feature of Ursinus' academic rigor in its 2013 edition of

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Last week, President Fong announced Ursinus was awarded a \$300,000 Mellon grant that will allow the CIE Fellows to better engage freshmen with the CIE syllabus outside of the classroom.

Family Day coming soon



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Friends and family can cheer on their favorite athletes at several home games scheduled for Family Day.

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Family day is back in action. The Leadership Development and Student Activities Office is excited about Family Day and it kicks off this Saturday, Sept. 29.

"This is an opportunity for the Ursinus family to join together and welcome all of our respective families to campus for a fall day of celebration and community," Dean of Students Deborah Nolan said.

Residence Life has planned many activities to entertain students and their families.

"There are inflatables, lots of inflatables. There's face painting and a petting zoo," Associate Dean of Students Todd McKinney said. "There is also a country fair with live music."

With the wide range of activities lined up, McKinney said there will be something for everyone, from younger siblings to grandparents.

Sports are also a major part of Family Day. During Family Day, there are multiple home games going on from most of the fall sports. Football, field hockey, men's soccer, women's soccer and volleyball are taking on con-

ference games, allowing the Ursinus family to support the athletes on their home turf.

Activities, sporting events and music are just a few Family Day options. The day also gives way for academic affairs. Students from the Summer Fellows Program and students who studied abroad are given a chance to present their research and experiences to the community.

"There's a Summer Fellows presentation where folks that have done Summer Fellows research will actually present their research. There are study abroad 'footprints' outside the classroom where students that have been abroad will discuss their experiences," McKinney said.

Families will also have a chance to meet President Bobby Fong, Vice President Terry Winger and Dean Deborah Nolan in a community conversation about developments at Ursinus.

Over the past 20 years, this day has been a huge success for Ursinus. Hundreds of families have poured onto campus and enjoyed a long filled day of fun. Every year, the campus opens its arms to new faces as well as some new activities and events.

"We kind of see what works

and doesn't work and people want to get added on," McKinney said. "There's chapel service, there's a Catholic Mass, so there's a lot of different things that get added some years, get taken away some years. It all depends."

"We have kept with very similar activities each year because survey feedback indicates that the events we have are well received," Nolan said. "Student performances through the arts change each year since not all departments are able to get ensembles and groups ready this early in the semester yet. Sometimes, the Fringe Festival coincides with Family Day and we have been able to include their events into the day."

McKinney said, "We usually go around the athletic schedule to see how many teams are home for athletics. Usually, it is towards the end of September, but again, we try and get as many home athletic events as possible."

Nolan and McKinney both said that Residence Life encourages all students and families to come out and experience a fun-filled day of sporting events, academic presentations, activities, live music and food.

Berman search

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The Berman Museum of Art is headed for some major changes in the upcoming school year. The search for a new museum director is underway after the recent departure of longtime position-holder Lisa T. Hanover, and the point of decision is drawing nearer.

The process of selection has already begun through a series of on-campus interviews in which candidates address a carefully-selected search committee on the issue of the role of the academic art museum in an ever-changing world.

At this point, the candidates have been narrowed down to four

individuals: Gabriella Marchetti, Ph.D., John Lustig, Barbara Racker and Charles Stainback.

Jill Marsteller, senior vice president for advancement Ursinus said that all candidates are expected to possess a certain amount of artistic knowledge and have administrative and creative capabilities.

"We are looking for someone with a professional background that involves leadership and an appreciation and understanding of art, as well as an ability to actively engage students, collaborate with faculty and be the public face of the museum to the community at large," Marsteller said.

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"The Best 377 Colleges."

Politics professor Paul Stern said in the press release that CIE is what gives Ursinus students the opportunity to achieve the "individual growth" that Fong cited as definitive to the liberal arts experience.

"In CIE, students develop the qualities of intellect and character that are conducive to making wise decisions about questions everyone will face," Stern said. "None of these can be wholly resolved through some technical approach. They require judgment, the capacity to thoughtfully apply general principles to complex, changing circumstances. The structure of the Common Intellectual Experience provides the conditions in which students can develop this capacity."

The Columbia Core Curriculum was established in the early 1900s as a set of required

courses all undergraduates must complete, according to the university's website. Like students taking CIE, students taking the Core engage with the same texts and issues at the same time in small seminars, where they consider "questions about the human experience."

In the press release, Roosevelt Montás, associate dean and director of Columbia's Center for the Core Curriculum, said the partnership "represents a unique opportunity for mutual learning and for the strengthening of both programs."

"The project had been a glimmer in the eyes of several faculty members from what we're told, but the resources and student fellows to bring the ideas to fruition are brand new this year," CIE fellow Jonnie Handschin said. "The Fellows have a lot of great ideas buzzing around right now and we're hoping everyone keeps their eyes peeled for more news from us throughout the year."

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Hanover held the coveted position since the Berman opened in 1989 and ushered it through 23 years of celebrating culture and excellence. During this time, Hanover became known for her constant actions of innovation and development, including the recent addition of the Pfeiffer Wing in honor of the museum's 20th anniversary.

A new director means major changes in terms of focus and the museum's future. Marsteller said she hopes the new director will work on building on Hanover's strong foundations and "bring a vibrant new vision" centered on student involvement.

Ursinus professor of photography Sarah Kaufman agreed.

"I think I'd like someone energetic and active in the contemporary art world, interested in interdisciplinary work," Kaufman said. "It's a wonderful place to go and learn things. A lot more of that attitude in their approach would be great."

Greater focus on campus-wide involvement definitely seems to be an important factor to all those involved in the decision-making process. Kaufman said she often uses the Berman for teaching. She said she loves that it provides a great learning environment in terms of art,

thought and creative writing. "Everyone can find their own relationship with it," Kaufman said.

Marsteller shared Kaufman's viewpoint.

"Another relevance of the art museum is that it brings all of these threads of learning together. It's a rare jewel," Marsteller said.

Both women maintain that the museum stands as a symbol of Ursinus' constant work towards student and community involvement and that the campus community must become more aware of what the museum has to offer.

Anyone wishing to visit the Berman and enjoy its wide array of drawings, prints, paintings, sculptures and cultural objects can visit from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 12-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The museum is closed on Mondays, and admission is free.

Currently, visitors can enjoy Transitions: Works by Françoise Gilot, an exhibition concerning Gilot's focus on composition and color from the beginning of her career into the 21st century.

Additionally, visitors can see Photographs of Change: The Berman Museum in Transition, a special viewing that focuses on the last three developmental years of the Berman's history.

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The former exhibition runs until Sept. 23 and the latter one until Aug. 15.

Upcoming exhibitions include Interstitial Spaces: Void and Object, Recent Works by Roger Chavez and Four Visions/Four Painters: Murray Dessner, Bruce Samuelson, Elizabeth Osborne and Vincent Desiderio, both of which open on Oct. 6 and run until Jan. 13. The main gallery is open year round to the public.

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COMMENTS SOUGHT FOR TENURE REVIEW

In accordance with the Ursinus College Faculty Handbook, student comments on teaching effectiveness and student-faculty interaction are invited at the time of a faculty member's review for tenure. Although student letters must be signed to be considered, student names may be withheld, upon request, when their comments are shared with the Promotion and Tenure Committee, and the faculty member.

This year, the following members of the faculty are being reviewed for tenure:

- Tom Carroll, Physics
- Liz Ho, English
- Patrick Hurley, Environmental Studies
- Stephanie Mackler, Education

Your feedback is strongly encouraged and will assist the Committee in its review process.

Letters should be sent to Lucien T. Winegar, Office of the Dean by October 5, 2012. Your comments can be sent electronically to deansoffice@ursinus.edu.

Top stories from around the globe

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Violent protests in Pakistan

On Friday, CNN reported that violence broke out in parts of Pakistan after government authorities declared "a national holiday" of protest against the American-produced film "Innocence of Muslims," which depicts the Prophet Mohammed as a womanizer, murderer and child molester.

According to the CNN report, protestors raided banks, movie theaters and government buildings and burned American flags and effigies of President Obama. The day-long protests led to the deaths of 15 people.

This same film sparked violence in Libya two weeks ago, leading to the murders of four Americans, including the U.S. ambassador to Libya.

Romney video leaked

Last week, motherjones.com, the online version of an American liberal magazine, leaked a controversial video of Republican candidate Mitt Romney speaking at a fundraiser in May.

According to the Mother Jones transcript, Romney said, in response to a question from a donor, "There are 47 percent who are with [Obama], who are dependent upon government, who believe that they are victims, who believe the government has a responsibility to care for them, who believe that they are entitled to health care, to food, to housing, to you-name-it." CNN reports that political analysts have said Romney's "47 percent" comment "could be very damaging to Romney's campaign."

Romney files tax return

Last Friday, Mitt Romney and his wife filed their 2011 tax return, revealing that they paid approximately \$2 million in federal taxes on their \$13.7 million income, according to the Huffing-

ton Post.

The Associated Press reported that the Romney family paid a tax rate of 14.1 percent, which is "lower than millions of middle-income Americans but actually more than he had to pay." AP reported that Romney's income came mostly from investment returns, which are taxed at a lower rate than regular wages. Romney also chose not to deduct millions of charitable contributions from his tax bill to maintain a pledge he made in August that said he paid at least a 13 percent tax rate every year for the past 10 years, according to the AP.

U.S. releases names of 55 detainees

The U.S. Justice Department released the names of 55 Guantanamo prisoners on Friday, according to the Associated Press. While these prisoners have not been pardoned, the department approved these prisoners for transfer to the custody of other countries. The AP reported that it is not clear when this transfer will take place.

According to the AP, the released list contains information that has been sought by human rights organizations for several years. The release reversed a 2009 decision to withhold the names after organizations filed Freedom of Information Act requests seeking the information.

iPhone 5 launch

Customers lined up at Apple Inc. stores around the world to purchase the new iPhone 5, which was released last Friday, according to the Associated Press.

AP reports that the new model of the phone is "thinner, lighter, has a taller screen, faster processor, updated software and can work on faster 'fourth generation' mobile networks."

The AP article noted that Apple's stock exceeded \$700 "for the first time" in anticipation of the iPhone 5 launch. Apple plans to sell 10 million new iPhones by the end of September, according to AP.

Bi-textual poetry series kicked off Sept. 18

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"There are parts of all of us that are missing," the visiting poet, Jacqueline Jones Lamón said. "Sometimes we don't know that it's lost." Lamón's poems ache with this loss, but her disposition doesn't; her gentle smiles accentuate her elegance and wisdom. The poetry reading occurred in Pfahler Sept. 18 at 7 p.m., and despite their sleepy eyes, Lamón mesmerized her listeners, and, in her gentle way, imparted upon us her energy and emotion. Her poetry not only enthralled us with beautiful language, but shook us with questions of moral and social issues. Missing African-American children that had gone unrepresented in the media inspired her most recent collection of poetry, "Last Seen," which she

read from. She also read from her first novel, "In the Arms of One Who Loves Me," a coming of age story about a woman struggling to succeed in a racist environment. In the story, a character calls the protagonist, Nia, the n-word.

There was a question and answer session after the reading. When asked about her decision not to say the word aloud she responded, "Today, I didn't want to waste my breath on that word." Lamón decided on the spot what she would read next – she said she hadn't read from that novel in over a decade, but suddenly returned to it. When asked if she had a favorite poet or poet, she replied by asking, "Do I have a favorite child? No." (At lunch, however, she hinted that her favorite poet was our very own Dr. Keita, who was sitting right across from her.) Last April, she drenched herself in poetry, read-

ing an anthology a day without repeating an author.

"What I do isn't necessarily telling a story, but finding a way through a story," Lamón said about the narrative quality of her poems. She uses poetry as a means of discovery, and we saw the emotional nature of this journey through her rhythmic rendition of "Mrs. Minor Gives Directions to Stranger," and the power-packed lines in "A Suspect Mother Answers during Polygraph"—"When a man shakes my shoulders, I ask for forgiveness/My favorite word is suicide." "Some are harder to read than others," she said, especially of "Mrs. Minor."

I once read that a poet's job is to inspire the reader to write a poem. Whether or not that is true, I can't say, but after the reading, a sophomore friend I had dragged along told me, "I stopped doing creative writing when I came



Courtesy of Dr. M. Nzad: Keita

Jacqueline Jones Lamón signs her book of poetry for waiting students.

to Ursinus. I just didn't see the point. But now, I think I'm going to start writing again."

Lamón teaches poetry, writing, and how to teach writing at Adelphi University in New York. She is the first of three visiting writers in Ursinus's Bi-Textual Writer's Series. In Bomberger au-

ditorium on Oct. 4, Linh Dinh, a Vietnamese poet and fiction writer, will be visiting. Don't miss the reading and book signing! On Nov. 13, filmmaker Nadine Patterson will be visiting, and there will be a showing of her film, Tango Macbeth.

Big Brothers, Sisters Program

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The Big Brothers Big Sisters Program is a national organization that is run across the United States. The mission of the program is to take respectable young adults and pair them with local young kids who would benefit from a positive adult in their life. The program has a branch here at Ursinus College that is partnered with Barkley Elementary School in Phoenixville.

Under Todd McKinney as the faculty advisor, Junior Eilish Bennett is in charge of coordinating with the national organization. Bennett organizes rides to and from Barkley Elementary School and periodically checks in with every "Big" in order to make sure all is going well.

Bennett said that the students involved with the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program at Ursinus are "successful, functioning and stable people who are doing well with their lives that become role models for children dealing with behavioral and family issues."

Each student that applies to become a big brother or big sister goes through the process of being

paired with a compatible child in need of a positive influence in their life. After being paired up with an elementary student, it becomes the duty of the big brother or sister to treat that child as if they are their very own little brother or sister.

Ursinus students who become big brothers and sisters devote one hour of their week to the program. During this hour, the group heads over to Barkley Elementary in order to spend time with their respective little brothers and little sisters. Bennett said simple things like "eating lunch, talking, playing games, and simply being a friend" are the primary responsibilities of a big brother or sister. Despite how simple they seem, "[these small tasks] can and will make a difference in a child's life."

Because the program's sole interest is to positively affect the lives of children in need, a big brother or sister must be ready to take on the responsibility. Each Ursinus student that wishes to get involved with the program goes through the application process, which includes an interview by a member from the national organization and a background check.

"[Big Brothers, Sisters] become role models for children dealing with behavioral and family issues."

— Eilish Bennett
Junior

The student-run organization always accepts new members. Any student, freshman through senior, is eligible to become a big brother or big sister. All students wishing to apply should have a genuine interest in the program's mission and are expected to be a stable and consistent entity of their little brother or sister's week, Bennett said.

If interested in joining, contact Bennett through email at eibennett@ursinus.edu. Additional events, such as an informative pizza party meeting in the Bear's Den, are being planned where interested students can "talk to 'Bigs' about their experiences with the program." More information on the program itself can be found at <http://bbbs.com>



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Word on the Street

"Do you plan on watching the presidential debates why or why not?"

"Yes, because I don't know much about the candidates at this time so it will be a good way to know them for when I actually vote." —Rachel Liegey, Junior

"Yes. My roommate and I are watching because we feel as if we don't know about each candidate and instead of basing my opinions off what my parents tell me, I need to be more independent and learn more about each candidate myself." —Dana Feigenbaum, Sophomore

"I might because it would be interesting to see how the candidates' viewpoints compare with one another. But at the same time, I'm not really that big on politicians and kind of the whole state of America right now."

—Andrew LaPier, Senior

"I'm not sure what it is and I'm not too interested so probably not." —Adam Spangenberg, Freshman

"Yes, because I like to stay up-to-date with current events."

—Andrew Williams, Senior

"I will be because I really want to hear what each candidate has to say. I also want to see how intense it will be! I'm more excited for the VP debates though."

—Emily Cooper, Sophomore

Internship event

Services at Wellness

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Career Services will be holding an "Internship Explosion" event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 3, in their office in Bomberger Hall.

The event is being held to encourage students to stop by and meet with a staff member to discuss any questions about internships. Career Services is prepared to answer any and all questions regarding the subject, such as how to gather general information, how to find an internship, and how to earn credit for that internship.

Director of Career Services, Carla Rinde said, "It's no formal program; it is just all of us available, all hands on deck kind of thing, to respond to student walk-ins about internships. Our hope is that we get people sort of intrigued enough and interested enough and finding it valuable enough that they might come back to talk more about what it is that they want."

Rinde said she believes an internship can be a very beneficial experience, as it allows students to develop and build skills for possible employment or grad school preparation.

"It's also just the idea of getting practical experience, because in today's job market if you don't have an internship you're kind of starting, already, a step behind," she said.

Senior Mary Barbagallo is one student who chose to plan and partake in an internship and who is still experiencing the benefits from it. This past summer, Barbagallo did an internship as a docent at Pennsbury Manor in Morrisville, Pa., where she gave

school and public tours and interpreted the manor for its visitors. The internship helped Barbagallo to increase her networking, and she now also has a work-study with the Manor.

Although Barbagallo did not use Career Services to find and obtain her internship, she did rely on the office to help her build her resume and write various cover letters.

"They just have all kinds of tricks up their sleeve that... you really don't think of when you're writing a resume, but that could help you to stand out and just have that little edge that you need when you're in a competitive market," Barbagallo said. "And they do a really good job of staying on top of all the new things that are coming out."

Barbagallo, who also works as a resident associate at Career Services, said she expects to see and help with a lot of resumes during the "Internship Explosion" as students begin preparing for internships.

In addition to "Internship Explosion," Career Services also provides other opportunities such as "Resumania" and "Walk-in-Wednesdays" throughout the year.

In regards to internships, Rinde said, "I do think if you're looking for work, not necessarily graduate school but if you're looking to work after Ursinus... I think you need an internship."

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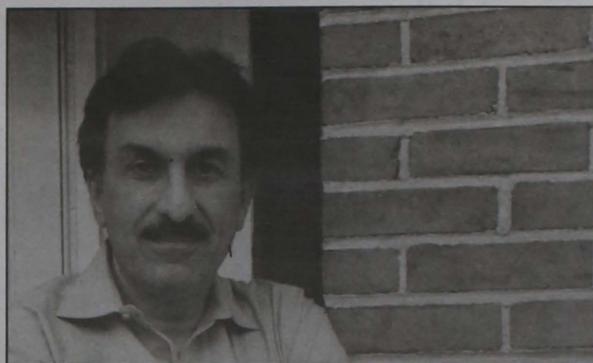
At college, students can expect that staying healthy can be a difficult task. The lack of sleep from late night studying and the constant contact we have with other students make it a challenge to avoid getting sick. As a result, it is common for students to seek out medical consultation from the Wellness Center. Not only does Ursinus College's Wellness Center strive to help students recover from illnesses, the center also offers a variety of services including allergy injections, physicals, immunizations, STD testing, counseling, and birth control.

The Wellness Center staff consists of Wellness Center Medical Director Dr. Paul P. Doghramji, Wellness Coordinator Denise Walsh, and three counselors.

Doghramji was recently asked by the school to change the way the center has been running for the last 19 years. Doghramji said, "My recommendation to the college was to make it a family practice experience."

He has made the center a more relatable doctor service, similar to the practices incoming students are comfortable with. Doghramji wants students who go to the Wellness Center to feel just as comfortable as they would be when visiting a family doctor.

Because Doghramji is committed to making sure students remain healthy, he stressed the importance of a few major health tips. First, he urged students to not share food or drinks



Heidi Jensen/The Grizzly

The Wellness Center Medical Director, Dr. Paul Doghramji, offered advice to students about staying healthy throughout the semester.

with one another. He also emphasized the importance of the use of hand sanitizer, especially before meals. To ward off infection, he recommends a good night's sleep.

Junior Shama Gupta, the student wellness coordinator echoed the importance of sleep and said via email, "[freshman] should also try to limit their caffeine intake and they need at least 6 hours of sleep a night." She also said, freshmen, "should consider jogs with their friends to the farmers market on Saturdays, grabbing an apple instead of fries with a sandwich at Wismer, or hitting the gym instead of napping after class" said Gupta.

Doghramji stressed the importance of safe sex on campus. He advised students to, "abstain from sex" but if not, they need to "be careful." He feels it is very important that students use a condom for any sort of "lower genital kind of sex."

He also advised caution when consuming alcoholic beverages.

Lastly, he encourages students to seek help if they feel the need. The Wellness Center offers resources for students who would

like some emotional support. There are three general counselors on staff who meet with students daily. Phyllis Osisek, Katherine Pohlidal, and Susan Phillips are available if students ever feel the need to talk.

The counselors deal in areas of crisis management. They are educated in handling suicide prevention and also know how to help if a friend is in trouble. The resource room is also a safe place to go for students dealing with eating disorders.

Students can meet with the counseling staff up to eight times a semester. The website states, "You may also report your concerns to a member of the Residence Life team at the College." The website also stresses, "All counseling services are free and confidential."

The Ursinus College Wellness Center is located conveniently at 789 Main Street. Students can make an appointment any time Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments can be made via email, wellness@ursinus.edu or by calling 610-409-3100.

Happening on Campus

| Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
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| Sukkah building, at Ursinus Hillel House, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Shabbat Dinner, in the Hillel House, 7 - 9 p.m. | Family Day, All Day | Sukkot Dinner in the Sukkah, at the Hillel House, in 5 - 7 p.m. | Grizzly meeting, in Ritter lobby, 6:30 p.m. | Sweatshops Improve Lives? Say It Ain't Sew, in Pfahler Auditorium, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Internship Explosion, in Career Services Office, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. |
| Zumba Class, in the Kaleidoscope, 12 p.m. | English major/minor barbecue, at Evansburg State Park, 4 - 6 p.m. | Family Day organ concert, in Bomberger Auditorium, 12 p.m. | Voices in Praise, in Bomberger, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Ambassador's Speakers Series: Gary R. McLellan, in Olin Auditorium, 7 p.m. | Interviewing from an Employee's Perspective, in Bears' Den, 6:30 p.m. | Photography club meeting, 7 - 8 p.m. |
| Anxiety Coping Skills for Freshman, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. | | Outdoor screening of the 'Avengers', on Paisley Beach, 9 p.m. | | | | Performance of Archibald MacLeish's 'J.B.', in Kaleidoscope, 7:30 p.m. |

Ursinus should disclose annual budget

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“Where is the money going?” Ursinus students are asking. Ursinus College is successful with displaying its general spending patterns, but when it comes to specific financial distribution, less information is public. Some specific expenses should be available to the public, because although Ursinus is a private institution, it is fair that students are better informed about specific allocations of the budget, especially with the increase in tuition.

Ursinus College makes their general expenses readily available to those who know where to look, but it does not have clear, public records for the specific financial decisions they make. However, Ursinus has their tax returns available online, so they do have a transparent display of where money is generally received and spent.

The 990 Form, which includes financial information about the school’s spending, is a useful way to gain a general sense of how money is allocated. The report contains statements of financial position and statements of activities for the year of 2010 and 2011.

In the statements, Ursinus lists their assets and liabilities. They also clearly state their net assets. The total assets in 2011 were \$275,034,824. In 2010 they were \$251,856,594.

In 2011, Ursinus had \$67,612,326 in total liabilities, compared with 2010, when it had \$69,514,205 in liabilities. This decrease is favorable for the school.

In 2011, Ursinus had \$275,034,824 in net assets, and in 2010 \$251,856,594 in assets, a positive increase for the school.

In the tax returns, it shows that almost half of total tuition and fees were allocated to

student aid in the year 2011. Tuition was \$71,036,515, and student aid was \$35,085,096, which is about 49 percent financial aid. Compared with 2010, the college used a higher percentage of money to financial aid than in 2011.

In 2010, tuition and fees totaled at \$66,268,913, and student aid added up to be \$31,334,806, which is about 47 percent of the tuition and fees. Tuition has increased, but the allocation of financial aid percentage-wise has increased as well.

According to a report on www.usnews.com, from 2012 to 2013 86.1 percent of Ursinus students applied for need-based financial aid and 75.5 percent of students received some form of need-based financial aid, which is very impressive for a private college.

The 990 Form states that total revenues and other additions added up to \$63,560,259 in 2011,

and total operating expenses added up to \$60,479,242. In 2010, the total revenues and other additions added up to \$63,955,196, while total operating expenses were \$59,007,867. This means that Ursinus has been spending less money than it is getting, which is a smart long-term plan for the college.

Pennsylvania universities Penn State, Temple, Pittsburgh and Lincoln, when combined, have gotten more than \$500 million in taxpayer dollars in the last two years, according to the Pennsylvania Independent. Like Ursinus, there is no obligation for these schools to publicize the way in which their funds were spent.

This is concerning. Tuition is increasing each year, and students are becoming more aware and concerned about where the money is going. Based on what can be seen from the information provided in the 990 Form,

Ursinus is making logical and intentional decisions about how to allocate its budget.

It is disconcerting that Ursinus does not provide more information about specific patterns in their spending. Ursinus should focus on making at least some specific spending patterns available to students.

Money is never trivial. Ursinus students have expressed interest in the allocation of the budget in terms of specific spending, and rightfully so. The group We Care about the Nation (WeCAN), for example, is planning to address budget transparency this year.

Ursinus College should provide specific information about funding that the students will find relevant and important to them. Though private colleges are not required to disclose specific details about how they are spending their money, it does not mean they cannot do so.

Changes in Dining Services are justified

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I agree with WeCAN when they say that Ursinus students deserve a say in how the school is run.

Here’s mine, and you’re not going to like it.

Last year we had the privilege of a buffet-style cafeteria with almost non-existent lines. How many times have you dined in a place with virtually no wait time? It hardly happens unless the place is going out of business. Sodexo and the administration can’t afford to operate at a loss to give you quicker access to food.

Another major reason for the longer lines is the made-to-order grill in upper Wismer. That change was made for sanitary reasons. Go ask someone who’s had food poisoning how they would feel about putting themselves at risk for reliving that experience in exchange for

shorter lines.

I would contend that the food is better, even if it takes longer to obtain. Last week I got a hamburger with pickles on it. Zack’s never gave me that option before, and it was only sometimes available in upper Wismer. The freshly-cooked burgers taste better than last year’s beef, which sat out for who knows how long.

More recently, I’ve seen increasingly shorter lines. New workers had to settle in; freshmen had to adjust; upperclassmen had to make sense of the altered hours and return the lines to equilibrium.

In an email to students and faculty across the campus, WeCAN bemoans this year’s changes, pointing out the inconveniences of the new Wismer while stressing that, “they still raise tuition.”

To be clear, tuition costs do not have anything to do with dining services—that would be room and board, which also went up, from \$10,300 to \$10,750.

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That represents a price increase of 4.36 percent. When you consider that overall inflation was at 3 percent last year, beef prices are expected to rise four to 6 percent, and the awful drought that caused a spike in corn prices, it’s hardly a price hike at all.

So maybe your parents’ wages aren’t keeping up with inflation. Don’t confuse what is effectively a pay cut for them with price gauging on Sodexo’s part.

I applaud WeCAN’s continued advocacy of Wismer workers, but the unionization of those workers puts the squeeze on Sodexo’s bottom line.

The problem is that Sodexo (or any corporation) doesn’t see that as “we’re making less money;” they see it as “we’re

losing money.” So now the same workers endure increased on-the-job stress in exchange for slightly more pay. I’ve worked in food service before, and I’ve felt the stress. The nights I made the most money were the worst ones.

I’m not saying the unionization was necessarily a bad outcome, but I believe it has, ironically, produced most of the undesirable changes WeCAN is now protesting. Even though it would have been messier, kicking out Sodexo would have better solution to the workers’ problems.

All of this comes at a time when we’re being offered more dining options than ever. Our flex dollars work at places that are open 24 hours on the weekends. Those of us who don’t have class until 11 a.m. can roll out of bed at 10:30 a.m. and actually eat breakfast. Meal credits are worth \$5.75 in Zack’s this year (that’s a 4.5 percent increase, by the way).

Is that so outrageous?

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UC recap: field hockey falls to F&M

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The Ursinus women's field hockey team suffered a tough road loss to No. 8-ranked Franklin & Marshall 3-0 on Saturday afternoon.

Franklin & Marshall scored three first half goals, including two goals in the 28th and 29th minutes which stretched their lead to 3-0.

"We learned a lot from this game," senior midfielder Rachel Pandl said. "We truly dominated during the first 10 minutes but started to let our heads fall after we were scored on first."

The Bears fall to 3-3 on the season, and 1-2 in conference play. Although the No. 16-ranked Bears were shutout, there is both room for improvement and reason for optimism.

"We held them off in the second half. They didn't score and statistically it was a pretty even game," senior midfielder Jenn Pappas said. "We just need to work on executing and finishing in the circle when it matters."

Despite the tough start to the season, the team has remained hopeful. With tough games on the horizon, there is nowhere to go but forward.

"We had a few rough losses early in the season that we can only learn from, and hope to move forward together as a team for games to come," Pandl said.

"If we begin to play all 70 minutes like we did the first 10 of our game versus F&M, I know our team can

do great things and come up with big wins."

Thursday's road game against No. 1-ranked The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) promises to be a good one. The Bears lost to the New Jersey Athletic Conference power in the Final Four last year and looks to avenge that loss this week with the hope of jumpstarting their season.

Senior forward Alex Shafi suggested redemption rather than revenge. Either way, the team looks to show the NCAA that they are still a strong team.

"We're just going to take it



Freshman Ryan Butler scored two more goals on Wednesday in the Bears' 3-2 win over Immaculata, giving him 10 goals through eight games. Courtesy of Athletic Communications

one game at a time and just give it our all. We know that we have no guarantees this season," Shafi said. "Our motto this year is 'all in,' so every game we're going to go all in. We're going to take it one play at a time, one goal at a time, one game at a time."

This year's team has big shoes to fill after the Bears logged im-

pressive records over the past few years. The Bears recorded a 19-4 season in 2011-12, a 20-2 season in 2010-11, and a 20-3 season in 2009-10.

Please see the UC Sports Schedule on the back page for upcoming Ursinus Field Hockey games.

Football

Led by a strong offensive output and timely scoring, Ursinus left Maryland with their first conference win against McDaniel, 40-21.

Behind a balanced offensive

attack led by quarterback Chris Curran and running back Bryan Ellis, the Bears accounted for 435 yards of total offense. Curran threw for 224 yards on 15-33 passing with three touchdowns and no interceptions. Ellis, a junior tailback, ran for 144 yards on 29 carries and a touchdown late in the game that helped seal the victory.

Ursinus led 26-7 in the third quarter, but McDaniel scored twice to cut the Ursinus lead to five points at 26-21. Ursinus responded in the fourth quarter by scoring twice. They extended their lead to 12 points on a touchdown pass from Curran to Darius Jones, and to 19 points, the final margin, on an Ellis touchdown from a yard out.

Ursinus now sits at 2-2 overall, and 1-2 in conference play.

Men's Soccer

McDaniel scored three goals in the first half and added two more in the second half in a 5-0 victory over Ursinus on Saturday afternoon.

Ursinus, who was outshot by the Green Terror 12-9, was hop-

ing to follow up on their hard-fought 3-2 win over Immaculata. Freshman forward Ryan Butler scored two goals in the non-conference victory.

The Bears are now 4-4 overall and 1-1 in conference contests.

Women's Soccer

Thanks to a late first half goal by senior midfielder Natalie Masari, Ursinus secured a draw on the road with Franklin & Marshall.

The Massari equalizer in the 38th minute and solid defense, led by four saves by junior goalkeeper Kara DiJoseph, allowed the Bears to hold onto the tie. Ursinus was outshot 14-10 in the Saturday affair.

The team now sits at 2-5-1 and 0-2-1 in conference.

Volleyball

The Bears snapped a seven-match losing streak by going 1-1 at a tri-match Saturday afternoon vs. Alvernia and Immaculata.

The Bears defeated Alvernia 3-2, winning the final and deciding set 15-11. The preceding four set scores were 25-21, 19-25, 25-

19 and 19-25. Ursinus was led by junior middle blocker Anahi McIntyre, who had 17 kills in the victory. Senior middle blocker Kristin Hanratty chipped in with 13 kills of her own.

Ursinus fell in the second match of the day to Immaculata, 3-2. The set scores of the match were 25-19, 25-21, 11-25, 13-25 and 15-10.

Other news

On Monday, Sept. 17, Ursinus announced the resignation of softball coach Jen Croneberger due to personal reasons.

Ursinus assistant coach Jerry Thompson will serve the program in an interim capacity. Her resignation is effective immediately, along with a national search to find a new coach.

Croneberger led the Bears to a 41-36 record during her two years at the helm of the program.



Behind the scenes: Kip & Sean Lacy

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game-ready, and prepare for any upcoming games or events. This portion of the job can become more hectic with the size of the event. Kip Lacy said that track meets and wrestling meets can require the most amount of time, especially if these meets are for Centennial Conference championships.

Kip Lacy is also in charge of recruiting student workers to help out at the games and their preparations. Kip Lacy said he has to make sure that he has enough people to work every game so that these events can go as smoothly as possible.

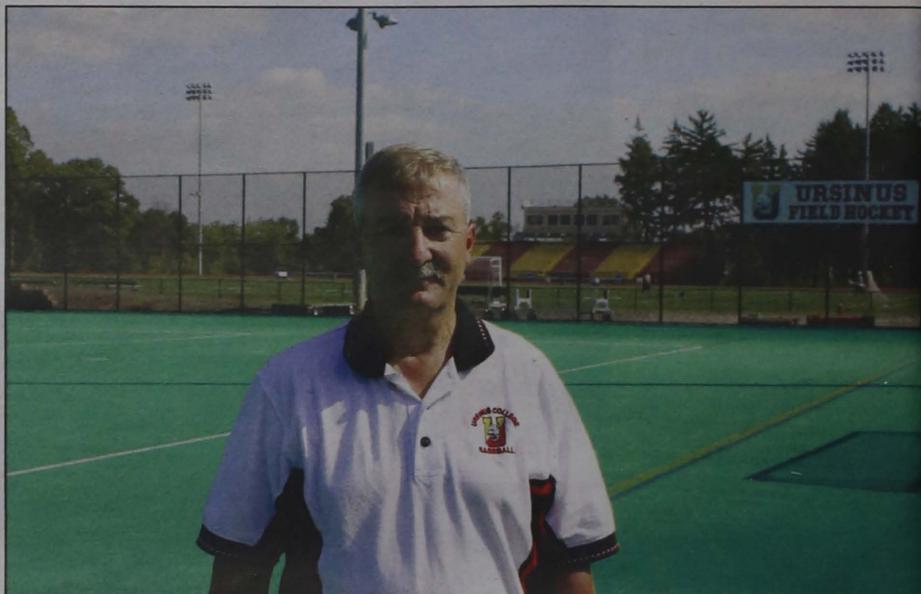
Alongside Kip Lacy is his son Sean Lacy, who started working at Ursinus in the summer of 2008. Kip Lacy said of his son, "It's great to have someone that I know I can give different duties to and they will get done right." Kip Lacy also said it is nice to be able to work with Sean Lacy just for the father-son aspect of it.

Sean Lacy is now in charge of his own area of the Athletics Operations Department. He handles the uniform inventory for all of the varsity sports programs. There are 23 varsity sports at Ursinus College, and almost all of these sports have uniforms that are handled by Sean Lacy.

One of the duties that this entails is hanging up the uniforms in the individual lockers for the athletes on game days.

"We like to make to make it more of a Division I atmosphere here," Kip Lacy said.

The amount of work done by the father-son duo and the rest of the Athletics Operations staff sets the Ursinus athletics apart from



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Kip Lacy and his son Sean Lacy are invaluable parts of the Athletics Department at UC. Along with the rest of the Athletics Operations staff, the Lacys will be hard at work for Family Day this Saturday.

the rest of the Centennial Conference.

With all of the growth that takes place in the athletic department, Ursinus is able to compete with the rest of the conference in many different ways.

Kip Lacy said that new additions, such as the turf field, play a key role in bringing in new recruits for the sports teams each season. "These are all things that need to be done to improve the school athletically and academically," Kip Lacy said.

Though the Athletics Operations Department may be a behind-the-scenes one, the Lacys have gained the respect from all of the athletes in an Ursinus uniform.

"It's a two-way street," Kip

Lacy said. "When [the athletes] treat us with respect, we want to do more for them."

Senior lacrosse goalie T.J. Magnani said, "[Kip Lacy] is a big help with all athletics and we really do appreciate what he does. [Laundry] is one less thing that we have to take care of as a student-athlete and it's a huge help."

Freshman football player Nick Lundholm is appreciative of the services Kip Lacy provides or students who are transitioning to college athletics from high school athletics.

"It's a selfless job. They make it very convenient and you can always count on your stuff being clean and right back in your locker," Lundholm said.

Kip Lacy said he is grateful for

the respect that he receives from the athletic community at Ursinus and that he takes pride in doing the little things to make the experience for the student-athletes more enjoyable and stress-free.

Lundholm said, "[Kip and Sean Lacy] definitely deserve to be acknowledged for what they do and they're a great help. They keep everything running smooth." Kip Lacy said the mutual respect that he has with the student-athletes at Ursinus makes his job easier.

If anybody is interested in becoming a student worker for the Athletics Operations Department, you can contact Kip Lacy via email at klacy@ursinus.edu.

Upcoming UC Sports Schedule

9/27
Women's Soccer
@ Immaculata
4 p.m.

9/27
Volleyball
@ Bryn Mawr
7 p.m.

9/28
Men's and Women's XC
Paul Short Run
@ Lehigh U., 10 a.m.

9/29
Field Hockey
vs. McDaniel
1 p.m.

9/29
Men's Soccer
vs. Washington
5 p.m.

9/27
Men's Soccer
@ Franklin & Marshall
7 p.m.

9/27
Field Hockey
@ TCNJ
7:30 p.m.

9/29
Football
vs. Moravian
12 p.m.

9/29
Volleyball
vs. McDaniel
1 p.m.

9/29
Women's Soccer
vs. McDaniel
7:30